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Preparations Promptly Progressing for The Auto. Meet in March.

Daytonians, with their usual public spirit and enterprise, are taking a very active interest in the Automobile meeting and races to be held on the beach March 26, 27 and 28. The business men and others have subscribed several hundred dollars to be used for the purchase of two valuable silver cups to be given as trophies.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Florida Automobile Association, which was formed at Jacksonville last week. The association is organized as follows: W. W. Cummer, president; C. A. Clark, vice-president; J. G. Christopher, second vice-president; F. E. Gilbert, third vice-president; F. P. Hoover, secretary; M. Hoover, treasurer.

The directors are: W. F. Conchman, chairman; W. E. Cummer, F. S. Hodges, J. E. T. Bowden, Telfair Stockton, Thos. Sheridan, John Elvig.

The officers and directors are all of Jacksonville.

The members of the Florida Auto Association feel very much gratified to have had so many desire to know regarding how to join the association. For those who wish to become members of the association, a letter sent to the secretary, Dr. Hoover, or to any member, expressing their wishes on the subject, will be all that will be necessary. The annual dues and initiation fee will not be high. The charter membership of the Florida Auto Association is the largest of any auto club in the United States, and composed of men prominent in their respective business and professions.

No more desirable place in all the world could be picked for a race than the Daytona beach. It extends along the coast for more than thirty miles in a straight line, and is from four to six hundred feet wide at low water. The

average rise of the tide is about two feet. There is always a good beach for riding several hours every day. The sand is nearly as hard as asphalt and very smooth. There are no stones whatever. No road or street was ever built that is so smooth to ride over as this beach. Imagine a boulevard five hundred feet wide, dead level for thirty miles, smooth as a floor. One auto, here, owned by Avery Smith, weighs five thousand pounds, and it makes no impression on the hard sand of the beach. It is an ideal race course, and the place where world's records will be made next month.

The Jacksonville Times Union of last Saturday says: Mr. Morgan (the promoter of the races) wishes it to be known that much credit for the booming of the Daytona and Ormond beaches is due to Mr. Hathaway, of West Summerville, Mass. "He is a prominent guest at Daytona," said Mr. Morgan, "and has two automobiles, a Stanley steamer and an Oldsmobile, at the latter resort. Mr. Hathaway holds the record for the beach at the present time, and is booming Daytona and Ormond in the newspapers of the country. The action of the Daytona Automobile Club in wishing Jacksonville automobilists God speed, and donating two cups for the coming tournament, shows the good sportsmanship of the Daytonians, and I will try to immortalize their little town at the Chicago Automobile Show next week and in the Automobile Magazine."

"Daytona is so much interested that Mr. Hathaway has informed Anderson and Price of Ormond that Daytona will remove posts out of the sea piers in order to give the flying chaffeurs a clear and unobstructed course for all the races over ten miles."

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HIGH TIMES NEXT WEEK.

Tuesday the Dana Thompson Carnival Company will open its engagement in Daytona, and promises to "paint the town red" for the balance of the week.

One of the principal attractions will be Dana Thompson's wild leap from a tower 90 feet in the air into a tank of water four feet deep; this, with the other feats, takes place every day.

Mayor Thomas has given his sanction to having the festivities on the city streets, and it is predicted that people from our neighboring towns will join in witnessing the fun.

The troupe exhibited at DeLand last week and the Record in speaking of them says, in part:

"Dana Thompson himself, tumbling from a 90-foot tower into a tank of four feet of water, has been the greatest attraction, and it is a wonderful feat. Next in order are the Bohemian glass blowers, the greatest bonoconstrictor, 27 feet long, weighing 300 pounds, the eruption of Mt. Pelee and the burning of St. Pierre, the Eskaman village, and the mechanical toy exhibition. The vaudeville show every afternoon, too, has been a great attraction."

"Notwithstanding there are 62 people along with the show, everything has been orderly, and Dana Thompson fulfilled his promise, that his show would give satisfaction and great pleasure to our people. He is a fine young man, and will permit nothing in his show that is the least immoral."

"Unlike many shows, the people in Dana Thompson's show put up and board with the people in towns they visit, thereby leaving a good percent of what they take in with the town."

AN EAST COAST FAIR.

While at this time everyone who is not busy in catering to the wants of the tourists who are filling the hotels and winter residences along the East Coast is engaged in planting and harvesting vegetables for the northern markets, the matter of arranging for an exhibit of the varied products of the belt of counties extending from St. Mary's River to Cape Sable is a matter that is receiving some attention.

In many ways the East Coast section, while it has an interest in common with the rest of Florida, is peculiar to itself. It has all the elements which go to make a prosperous section, and each county is within easy communication with the other.

A permanent annual fair held either in Jacksonville, St. Augustine or Daytona would be of great benefit to this section, and either of these places are amply able to care for those who would attend it.

It is useless to try to hold a successful fair where the people cannot be accommodated. It is perhaps too late to hold such an exhibit this season, but it is not too soon to begin preparation for the coming year.—St. Augustine Record.

MRS. MATHES SUES STETSON.

In addition to the suit which has begun against him in the State courts by Dr. J. F. Forbes, President of Stetson University, John B. Stetson is to be sued in the United States District Court by Mrs. W. D. Mathes, of DeLand, for alleged libel and slander. The action is for \$250,000, the same sum as is claimed in the Forbes suit.

The papers were served on Mr. Stetson last Saturday at DeLand by Deputy United States Marshal W. H. McCormick. The paper cites that John B. Stetson, a citizen of Pennsylvania, is summoned to appear before the United States Court the first Monday in April to answer unto Lena B. Mathes by George M. Mathes, her next friend, and a citizen of Florida, in a suit for libel and slander in the sum of \$250,000.

Mr. Stetson is at the College Arms Hotel, at DeLand. He had just finished breakfast when approached by Deputy Marshal McCormick. He read the paper without comment. The plaintiff in the suit is the Mrs. Mathes whose name was connected with that of the President of Stetson University in the charges which have already been made public.

Mr. Stetson's lawyers will fight the matter both in the State and United States Courts.

POTATO CULTURE A SUCCESS.

This year more than ever are the minds of Floridians in this section turning to the culture of Irish potatoes. Around Daytona many acres are under cultivation, and the product readily finds a sale in the local market at good prices.

The farmers around Hastings, a few miles north of here, are rejoicing over the prospects of a spring crop that will exceed, both in quantity and quality, anything that has ever been produced in the South.

About 1,200 acres have been planted in that vicinity, and the farmers are still busy putting seed in. The entire crop will be considerably over 1,500 acres, and the outlook for a big yield and good prices were never better.

The ground is in excellent condition, and the acreage has enormously increased. Everyone is happy and confident, and in May, when digging begins, a sum aggregating nearly \$200,000 will be distributed.

MEAT AT LIVING PRICES.

If you need anything in the line of ham, bacon, butter, lard, corn beef, salt pork, celery, pickled pigs feet, tripe, boneless pigs feet, pressed ham, all kinds high grade sausage, chipped beef, or many other things we can't mention in this space, it will be more than worth your time to call on J. L. Odum, for he handles but the finest grades, cheaper than can be bought at any other place in the city.

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